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August has been designated as Child Support Awareness Month in the State of California, and Los Angeles County supports the empowerment and self-sufficiency of families, through its member units, such as the Child Support Services Department (CSSD);

The Los Angeles County Child Support Services Department is the largest locally administered child support agency in the nation, managing approximately 500,000 cases, and has earned the distinction of being the "Most Improved County" in current support collections among its peers in 2004 from the California Department of Child Support Services;

CSSD collected over \$500 million in child support in fiscal year 2003-04, an all-time high for the Department, and holds the record in the United States for the largest child support collection in a single case with a \$300,000 collection;

CSSD's improved customer service and organizational effectiveness was recognized by the L.A. County Quality and Productivity Commission (QPC) with a Top Ten Award and other awards for improving the effective delivery of services to L.A. County residents;

L.A. County has met all federal child support performance standards, passed the state Data Reliability Audit, and contributed to more efficient government by returning \$68 million in reimbursements to the Federal Government and \$63 million to the State of California;

THEREFORE, I MOVE that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles hereby designates the month of August 2005 as "Child Support Awareness Month" in Los Angeles County, and commends the Child Support Services Department for providing effective and caring service, and improving the well-being of children and families in Los Angeles County.

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